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Bowling Green Conference.

Presiding Elder Ferguson a Quick Favorite—Local

Preachers Acquit Themselves Well—Negro Hating Conductor Denounced—An Interesting Session.

Bowling Green District Lexington Conference convened in Asbury Chapel M. E. church, Cloverport, Ky., Tuesday afternoon, July 24th, at 2 o'clock, Rev. T. L. Ferguson, P. E., in the chair; C. T. Lewis secretary. Bro. Ferguson is new as Presiding Elder, but he at once established confidence and commanded respect by his bearing. The various committees were appointed. Rules governing the conference were made. The Sunday School Institute and the Epworth League were given the afternoon for literary exercises. Miss Clara Foote, of Irvington, was elected president of the Sunday School Institute; W. A. Hinton, of Hawsville, secretary; Eli Board was elected president of the Epworth League; R. Acton, secretary; Miss Ada Moredock, of Cloverport, was elected critic. Each day at 11:30 was set apart for the local preachers to exercise their gifts. The Brethren in the local ranks acquitted themselves like men. One peculiar feature of the conference was that business was suspended any time for singing or prayer. The first day's evening session began at 7:30 p m. The first half hour was devoted to singing and prayer. At 8 o'clock Rev. R. Acton announced the opening hymn, "O for a thousand tongues to sing," followed by prayer. Rev. J. W. White, of Vine Grove, delivered a sermon from Col. 1 28, subject, "Preaching." Wednesday devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. L. Robinson, of Bowling Green. T. L. Ferguson, P. E., reported the work of the District, showing a general improvement. Our Presiding Elder works for results, religiously, morally and spiritually, of course money is not left out by any means. The pastors' reports were encouraging. Rev. S. P. Locke, of the Baptist church; G. W. Weirs, of the A. M. E. Zion church, and S. G. Shelby, of the M. E. church, South, were introduced to the conference. These brethren were accorded a hearty welcome by the Presiding Elder, and were invited to participate in the proceedings.

At night Rev. W. H. Bloomer, of Beaver Dam, preached a strong, eloquent and convincing sermon from 1st John 2 20, "But ye have an an unction from the Holy one." Thursday Rev. I. W. Whorton conducted devotional exercises. Bro. Ferguson, Presiding Elder, was ill and C. H. Pyles, presided. Bro. N. Bell, of Owensboro, made a speech, denouncing the conductor in charge of the north bound train of the Louisville and Texas railroad, running between Owensboro and Cloverport, for not protecting the rights of colored passengers on said train. A disgraceful class of white men went into the compartment for colored people, and in the presence of ladies, drank whisky, smoked and acted very indecent A committee was appointed to draft resolutions condemning such conduct. Rev. Wm. Crooks, of Greenville, preached a strong evangelical sermon from Luke 17 13. At the conclusion of the sermon, six persons united with the church.

Friday was fast day and religious feeling ran high. A resolution had been made that no local preacher be licensed or grant renewal of license who did not take or promise to take one of our church papers. There was much talk regarding our church organs, much was said of the South-western Christian Advocate. It was said that the worthy editor, Rev. E. W. S. Hammond, D. D., would attend the conference before its close.

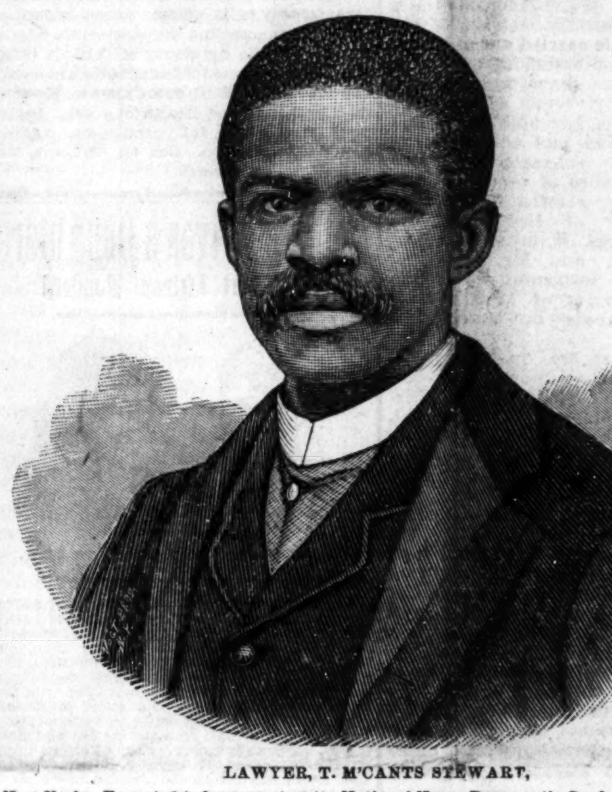
The conference regrets that he was not present. Three regular sessions were held this day because of the pressure of business. An able sermon was delivered at night by Rev. R. Acton, of Sonora. Saturday the various committees reported. Sermon at night by D. T. Burch, of Morgantown. The people then retired to the hall and participated in an entertainment. Sunday was a day of good things. At 9 o'clock, a. m., Sunday school; 10:30 a. m. Love Feast. Rev. C. T. Lewis, of Princeton, delivered a sermon from St. John 19-5, "Behold the man" After singing and prayer, morning service was adjourned. Rev. W. H. Pope, of Bowling Green, preached an eloquent sermon in the afternoon from 1st Samuel 3-14. Committee on Memorial reported, and papers were read eulogizing the life of Rev. M. B. Lewis of the class of '94, and the congregation stood up in token of sympathy tendered the widow of Bro. M. B. Lewis, also Bro. Halleck, a local preacher and founder of Halleck Chapel, Dulaney. Befitting remarks were made regarding Bro. Halleck: "They rest from their labors and their works do follow them." Sacrament was then administered by the Presiding Elder and others. These services were impressive throughout. The house was filled early Sunday night to hear the "baby," Rev. Wm. Johnson, of Hartford. He preached an interesting sermon from Luke 19 10. The congregation shook hands and the conference adjourned. Total collection $58.98. The goood pastors and people of Cloverport will live long in our hearts and memories.

C. T. LEWIS, Sec.

CONFERENCE NOTES.

Our boy preacher, W. H. Pope, looked quite dignified in his gold glasses. The Bowling Green district distinguished herself for able preachers. The class of '94 was especially prominent in young men and strong preachers. The boys made it hard for the conference baby, Bro. Wm. Johnson, as he had the closing sermon to preach. He got out by the hardest. Chicken and mutton suffered during conference. The people in Cloverport certainly live in Clover. The preachers of the Bowling Green District were commended by the people of Cloverport for good looks, business tact, strong sermons and plenty of religion. Rev. T. L. Ferguson is proud of his men and they are proud of him.

National Democratic Conference Edition.



LAWYER, T. M'CANTS STEWART,
New York. Expected to be present at the National Negro Democratic Conference, to convene in Indianapolis next Tuesday, the 14th, and possible Chairman of same.

ORATOR, HON. J. MILTON TURNER,
Missouri. Ex-Minister to Liberia, talked of as Chairman of the forthcoming National Negro Democratic Conference, to convene in Indianapolis next Tuesday, the 14th.

EDUCATOR, HON. PETER H. CLARK,
Missouri. Expected to be present at the National Negro Democratic Conference, to convene in Indianapolis, Tuesday, August 14th.

A Few Prominent Faces Expected to be Present See Pages 4th and 5th.

Central Republican Club Organized.

Denver, Col., Special.

Messrs. Wade and Roundtree of Topeka, Kan., who have been visiting friends in Denver the past two weeks, left Wednesday morning for Colorado Springs. Rev. Turner, after a month's rest and recreation in our city, returned to his home in Macon, Mo., the 1st, inst. Denver was treated to a by play last week, entitled, "Another Man's Wife." Through sympathy for all parties concerned, we refrain from publishing the cast of characters, but will say the "growler" will get you if you don't watch out. Little Luther Jamison is quite ill at this writing. Miss Minnie Pillow spent Sunday in Colorado Springs and Manitou. Miss Earnie and Abba Travers, who have been in Denver for the past two years, returned to their home in Trinidad Friday. As the fall election approaches, Republicans feel more confident of redeeming the state from the anarchial hands of the Populists. The Central Colored Republican club, of Arapahoe county, was organized Tuesday night at Shorters Chapel. A large crowd was present. Berry Forsy called the meeting to order and Dr. Spratlin was elected president; Mrs. B. C, Chinr, first vice-president; Mrs. L. Gunnel, third vice-president; Miss Maud Smith, secretary; M. G. Stokes, assistant secretary; Henry Wilson, treasurer. President Spratlin appointed on the executive committee the following: D. B. Faw, J. D. Rivers, Berry Forsyth, Lewis Knight, Mrs. T. S. Recter, John Taylor, and Lewis Curtis. Dr Randolph, Lawyer Stewart and others made speeches for the success of the colored man and the Republican party.

First of August Celebration.

Farmington, Ia., Special.

Farmington is located on the Des Moines river, in the southeastern part of the state, 182 miles south of Des Moines. It has a population of about 2,000. The 1st of August Emancipation day was celebrated here in grand style. Promptly at 10 o'clock the procession formed on Elm street, headed by the Farmington Burlington Route band, marched to the Flood park. Invocataon by Rev. Belknapp, (white.) Song by Elder Thomas' Jubilee Singers. Music by the band. When the last strains of music died away, P. D. Holloway (white) introduced Hon. T. S. Smith as the speaker of the morning exercises. Mr. Smith held his audience for one hour and a half, starting from Washington and bringing the Negro down to the present, which was to the point and grand indeed. At 12 o'clock there was a barbecue dinner. At 2 o'clock music, after which P. D. Holloway called order and introduced Hon. S. B. Jones, of Ottumwa, who spoke for one hour, telling of the many evils inflicted upon our race in the South. He dressed down the Republicans some as well as the Democrats. He also stated that with all our disadvantages and up hill pull, we were coming to the front.

Held Services in the New Church.

Marion, Ind., Special.

The Baptist church held its first services Aug. 5th. The church was crowded. Rev. Shucraff preached at 11 o'clock; Rev. Henry Young at 3 o'clock, and Elder Crumwell at 7:30. Collection, cash, $22.90; subscription $30. It is a model church. Rev. H. H. Thompson was at Muncie on the 5th, helping in the camp meeting. Wm. Frazier is at Crawfordsville, Ind., attending as delegate to the District lodge, for Missinaway lodge No. 2104. Frank Gill, the carpet layer, is visiting this week at New Castle, Hagerstown and Dunreith this week. We wish him a good time. Mrs. Dorsey Guliford is ill. George Nichols, one of the twin boys of J. M. Nichols, is sick. Al. Jones of Chicago, is here visiting his brother and sister. James Booth is very sick. Rev. James, of Logansport, was here on Sunday the 5th. Rev. Grayson, of Anderson, was in our city on Monday. Mrs. Lizzie Bailey returned home Monday. Lanson Weaver, of Weaver, Ind., is very sick. The Freeman is on sale at J. M. Nichols' barber shop.

Will Celebrate the Emancipation.

Beechwood, Ill., Special.

Dr. Powell is proving himself to be an expert physician and surgeon. Mathews Turnage departed this life Aug 5th; also Alex. Johnson was found dead in his bed Sunday morning, July 29th. Mr. Turnage suffered three or four week's sore affliction. The S. U. B. will celebrate the Emancipation Proclamation August 24th. All subordinate commanderies will turn out in full regalia. The laying of the cornerstone of the grand synod, will take place on that day. This will be one of the latest designs of architecture. The second story will be used for Kindergarten work, offices, training and industrial work, etc. This no doubt will be combined with a project put on foot by Prof. Alston, who was appointed by Mt. Olive Baptist Association as Dean to draft a plan for an Industrial school in southern Illinois. Rev. S. Fowler, of Fulton, Ky., is in the village to attend his regular appointments. Mr. Adkin and son-in-law will locate in our thrifty little village. Tray Merriwether and John Martin are watchmen for the Illinois Central at this place. The Odd Fellows gave a picnic on the 4th. Eminent Commander, C. H. Davis and wife have returned a visit to the Wetaug Lodge and have gone to Mound City to set up a local branch. The A. M. E. church is preparing to erect a neat place of worship, upon a site donated to them by Justice L. D. Glenn, an adherent of said faith. The members and pastor of said church hold Mr. Glenn in high esteem and reverence for his philanthropic deed.

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The Negro National Sociological

Society Holds Its Annual Meeting and the

President Delivers His Annual Address, Which Presents a New Phase in the Negro Question.

New York City Special.

The society above named was organized in 1885, with Rev. Cæsar A. A. Taylor, D. D., Ph. D., as president. Its purposes are the social, moral, mental and industrial improvement of the Negro race. The members meet annually to discuss questions and devise plans along the lines laid down. Last night the President in his address to the country, among other things said:

"The Negro's greatest impediment to race progress toward respectable consideration by the white people of America, and especially at the South, is the disposition of a class of Negro women to prostitute themselves with white men. There is not a community in the South, hardly, but that there is a great number of such harlots, who prostitute the whole race, and then, bejewelled and finely dressed from the money of white men, to whom they have bartered their virtue, sold their honor and compromised the race, they impose their vile presence upon the society of decent ladies and gentlemen of the race. Decked out in sin-bought finery they push their polluted persons into our best homes, into our private and public receptions, and thus exert a damnably deleterious influence upon our respectable daughters and wives.

"These cheeky courtesans, with padded forms and made-up faces, painted and powdered with rouge and carmine, banged and frizzed; these ruffled, tucked and fluted huzzies, who should be imprisoned for bastardy along with their white paramours, leprous libertines, pariahs and despoilers of our race; these female abortioners elbow our plain, respectable, virtuous daughters. Such Babylonian wenches, they disgrace us in the eyes of the world, they hang as weights of rottenness about the neck of our progress, and hold us down. We must get rid of them; we must expose and kick them out

"Our self-respecting young men and women must rise in the indignity of their manhood and womanhood and drive these female felines from our homes and our society—drive them to the white scoundrels who have dishonored them, and with whom they have disgraced themselves—drive them to the white brutes whom they love and idolize.

"Every self-respecting white man will endorse our action; every white mother, daughter and wife will applaud our action, for no decent white man wants these libidinous, memphomaneized libertines as associates; these libertines who ogle women, purloin virtue and prostitute themselves as lovers to Negro harlots. No decent, self-respecting white people desire such white rakes to associate with themselves, or their wives and daughters.

"We appeal to the respectable white people of the South, of the North, yea, we appeal to the whole people of the whole country to aid us against the outrages being inflicted upon us as a race by abandoned white men and filthy Negro women.

"Negro women are not different from white women in their passions, in their likes and dislikes, but white men in their uncompromising opposition to miscegenation determine that if any woman of their race ever comes to shame it shall be by and among themselves. All white women know this and are governed accordingly. On the other hand, Negro men allow their women great freedom, hence the result is that Negro men are compromised and the whole race is disgraced by a class of Negro women who, with pleasure and by passive acquiescence, lend themselves to prostitution by evil disposed and abandoned white men, who, though strange it may seem, will have a Negro mistress and hate a Negro man.

"Again, lynch law still continues in Georgia, notwithstanding the 'anti-lynch law.' Therefore, be it the sense of this society that the invincible little race champion, Miss Ida B. Wells, is, with Ajax-like strength and heroic courage, doing a service not alone for the race, but for all humanity, in holding up to the world's condemnation the barbaric lawlessness of the South against the Negro race.

"Resolved, That we extend to Miss Wells our moral and material aid, and we also hail with joy the preparations now being made by all England to send to this country in September the Rev. Peter Stanford to investigate and make England's protest against Southern barbarism."

Unanimously adopted.

The U. L. S. Club Entertained.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Special.

The U. L. S. Club was highly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gresham at the residence of their parents, Rev. and Mrs. Brown. Invitations were issued for a social picnic to be given by the U. L. S. Club on August 11, 1894, and after the business transactions of the club they were invited into the dining-room, where the table so beautifully decorated called forth unstinted praise.

A grand banquet was tendered the Wilson Colored Republican Club by Mr. George Wilson, at the Masonic banquet hall, on August 2, Covers were laid for 200. Music was furnished by Mrs. Rhoda Jones, Miss Ollie Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Gresham. After doing justice to the luxurious viands the following toast was responded to: Mr. G. W. Wilson, Mr. N. L. Routt, Mr. N. Mays, Mr. T. G. Williams, Rev. W. H. Brown, Mrs. F. E. Rue.

MAID AND MISTRESS

A Romance of Two Cousins.

WRITTEN EXPRESSLY FOR THE FREEMAN,

By AUGUSTUS M. HODGES, ("B. Square.")

Author of "Fred Jackson's Vow." "A Rolling Stone that Gathered Moss." "Prof, L. Wilson Dozier." "The Raise Problem," "Hon. L. Sweitzer, M. C." Etc. Etc,

CHAPTER XXVI.

VIRGINIA HAYWOOD'S RAGE.

The first thing Virginia did after her return was to faint in the regulation stage style, the next thing was to go and get a revolver and make believe that she was intent upon self-destruction.

This was all done before she told her aunt or the colored cook, who stood by mute, what was the cause of her strange actions. She goes off in hysterical fits, during which she raves, then laughs, then cries, tears her hair and calls for poison. Sarah Jane enters with the bottle of spring water she started after just five hours before.

"Curse you, you wretch; what were you doing talking to that young man—what did you say? Why did you talk French? Where did you learn French? Where did you meet him? I will kill you! Oh, the idea, the thought that a woman like you, one of your dangerous class—a class that has ruined the lives and homes of so many white gentlemen—should come between me and my lover!"

Virginia rushed toward her maid intent upon doing her harm. Sarah Jane enclosed the hands that were making for her eyes into an iron grip, which brought the wild Virginia upon her knees. Maid and mistress had changed places.

"Your lover, why he does not love you—never did! You have been making love to him. You followed him all over Europe and even back to the United States. You look surprised! How did I learn all this—why, foolish woman, he told me. Women of my class! It is well said, you are not in my class, for I am a woman and aim to be a lady; you are neither. I have as much right to him as you. I have three-fourths white blood in my veins, and it would not surprise me if you, Virginia Haywood, had no more."

This insult, this insinuation that she, the belle of Palmetta Manor, had Negro blood was too much for her to stand, springing to her feet she broke from Sarah Jane's grasp.

"You can have him, if he associates with your class of women he is no fit companion for me; but when you dare hint that I have any of that accursed blood in my veins, you utter a foul lie; a falsehood for which if we had lived twenty-five years ago in Marion I would have your back lashed. You vile thing; I can trace my people back for ten generations. My mother and grand parents were born in the old house and their names are recorded in the records of the county. My father came from one of the first families of Virginia. I can trace their record back to the year 1644. Then, how dare you say that I have any black blood in my veins. I can overlook your making love to that fellow, that low mean scamp, but I cannot, will not let the insult upon the name of my fair mother go unavenged," and the wild Virginia rushed over to her dressing case to get the revolver she had left lying there.

CHAPTER XXVII.

THE COOK'S REVELATION.

Mrs. Hannah Jones, the cook engaged in New York City to look after the inner wants of Mrs. M. C. Montgomery and neice during their stay at the U. S. Cottago, in Saratoga, was a bright intelligent little woman of a complexion we Afro-Americans would call "dark brown." She was at the time about 55 years old, and came North some twenty-five years before by the way of the "Under Ground Railroad."

She went to Cleveland, O., where she married and livod for years until her husband died, when she removed to New York and worked as a cook. She had received a good education and was well read, and Jarah Jane found her a pleasant companion with two exceptions, she seemed inclined to pry deeper into the past life of the maid than their short acquaintance should allow; and again, she wanted to visit Sarah Jane's room at hours and times the maid did not for reasons of her own want any company.

"I'll find out if I am right before the summer is over, and I am almost sure that I am right; how strange they both act whenever I speak to them about it," the cook would say to herself as she prepared the epicurean dishes for her employer.

Let us return to the infuriated Virginia Haywood. When she rushed to the dressing case she found out that her aunt had prudently hid the revolver.

"Give me that revolver, auntie, until I avenge the insult thrown upon the spotless name of your dead sister by this—this vile low snake in human form. Give me a knife or something. Cook, run down stairs and get me a knife until I avenge my mother—"

"How about your father, Miss Virginia?" asked the cook.

"What, you black she devil, do you, too, mean to insult me and my people? You two niggers have made up some dark foul plot to ruin me in the eyes of my lover. Leave the house, both of you, at once. Pay them off, auntie, and get white girls, Irish or German, and never employ black help for the house again. Leave the house, you vile things; you even make the air foul. Leave I say," and the mad Virginia began throwing ink and toilet bottles at the heads of her servants, one of which struck the cook above the eye, cutting into the flesh.

At the sight of her blood, Mrs. Hannah Jones' ire also reached high water mark.

"I will leave the house and have you arrested for your act, after I have told you something I know. I will begin by asking a question: Why is it that both of you young women—both maid and mistress—never wear the regulation low out evening dress?"

Both maid and mistress turned deathly white, and the cook continued:

"Don't turn pale, young ladies, I will answer the question for you. It is because you both have upon the back of your necks, starting at the shoulder blades and extending upwards over two inches, a very ugly and well developed family birth mark; one half of it is a bright red, the other half a deep black. Don't be spell bound girls, I know it all; no I am not a fortune teller. I have the same mark, see?" and she disclosed to the astonished eyes of the maid and her mistress a repulsive looking birth mark on the back of her neck.

"Don't faint yet, Miss Haywood, my story is not finished. That is a family mark, and any one with it has more or less African blood in their veins. My grand mother, who was you girls' great grand mother, was a full blooded African and brought with her to America this mark, which all of her descendants male and female always bear. You girls are cousins, that's all."

Turning to the spell bound Mrs. Montgomery, she said:

"Miss Minnie, you don't know me; I am Hannah, who ran away before the war from Dr. Whitehurst's plantation, near Marion; Hannah the sister of Eliza, the housemaid, and Moses, the body servant of Mr. Henry Clay Whitehurst, your brother who was killed while hunting. Sarah Jane is the daughter Eliza, and—Virginia is the natural daughter of Moses. Proofs? Do you want more? Well, I will give them to you in the form of letters, papers and pictures I have kept for years. They are all letters sent to my brother after he ran away, as you remember, by his—well, daughter's mother."

With these remarks the cook, followed by the maid, walked out of the cottage, before which quite a crowd had collected, drawn by the wild yells of the mad Virginia.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Resolutions Indorsing Miss Ida B. Wells.

WHEREAS, The Afro-American of this country is entitled by the provisions of the Constitution—by every just and righteous sentiment of the civilized world—and by his record on the field of battle, to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; to a fair and impartial trial for every crime of which he is accused or suspected, and to equal opportunities in the race of life; and

WHEREAS, In the Southern States of America, and in many localities throughout our broad land, the Afro-American, on account of his race and color, is denied the common privileges that others are granted in all civilized communities; is refused the privilege of working for a living in those avenues of trade and industry that their oppressors prefer for themselves; is driven from his home and his property confiscated, for no other cause than that he has by some chance word or act asserted his manhood; for the slightest offense is taken from his home and family and lynched in the most barbarous manner—burned alive and treated to all the cruelties that fiendish brains can invent, and by way of excuse is painted to the world as a villain and rapist, while the facts in the case show in the majority of cases there was not the least evidence of guilt on the part of the person lynched; and that where the least evidence of guilt existed he could have been summarily tried and convicted through the ordinary legal channels, there being no possible chance of escape, as the whole machinery of the courts and government are in the hands of the race who form the lynching mobs, and who lynch Afro-Americans for some of the slightest offenses against white people, rape forming but a very small per cent. of the offenses. And, then, "There should be no distinction in punishment and none in guilt;" and

WHEREAS, The talented editress of the Memphis Free Speech, Miss Ida B. Wells, was outspoken in her denunciation of the crimes committed against our race, she received the treatment meted out on such occasions—was exiled from her home, her property (the accumulation of years of labor) confiscated—she has since busied herself in publishing to the world a true account of the suffering and oppression of our race in this country, and asking that the civilized world come to our rescue by creating a healthy, christian public sentiment in our favor and by assisting us to gain the right to live like men and fight life's battles unhampered by the galling chains of oppression and prejudice; therefore,

Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that we, the Afro-Americans of this country, owe a debt of gratitude to Miss Wells, as a benefactress of her race; that we do most warmly approve of her course in pleading our cause before the world; and we do most earnestly pray that she will continue with unabated zeal the good work she has begun, and may God, who rights all wrongs, crown her efforts with success.

Resolved, That the vile and malicious falsehoods of the Memphis Daily Commercial are only a part of the usual programme carried out as an excuse for the oppression of our race; that many of us have known Miss Wells personally, some of us have known her from her childhood, and can certify to the fact that a purer, more exalted character, never espoused the cause of oppressed humanity. (Rev. Harris, formerly of Memphis, now of Holly Springs, Miss., Mesdames Waneta Clouston, Mattie Walker, and Mr. Butts, of Memphis, bore testimony as to the probity of character of Miss Wells—they left Memphis on account of lynch law.)

Resolved, That we do hereby denounce the libelous publication in reference to Miss Wells, Edward W. Carmack, of the Memphis Commercial, sent broadcast to the world, as the act of a sneak coward and scoundrel, devoid of the least principles of true manhood, to say nothing of the entire absence of chivalry, of which Southern gentlemen are won't to boast. He knows full well he is safe from prosecution, as prosecution in the state of Tennessee is impossible on account of race prejudice. In trying to defend the South in its iniquitous treatment of the black man, he pursues the course of a drowning man catching at a straw, and the course of a petti-fogging lawyer defending a bad case by heaping vile epithets and abuse upon the credible witnesses on the other side to detract attention from the case.

Resolved, That we forward a copy of these resolutions to Miss Ida B. Wells, Edward W. Carmack, of the Memphis Commercial; the London News, The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.; New York Age and the papers of Oklahoma Territory.

Com. { REV. R. A. SAUNDERS,
REV. P. O. DANDRIGE,
MATTIE WALKER,
WANETA CLOUSTON,
PETER FLYNN OLIVER.

El Reno, O. T.

A Thriving Community.

Mullins, S. C., Special.

I beg space in your most valuable race journal to present to the readers of the Freeman the dots in and around Mullins. We had convened at this place the Nazarene Union from the 28th to 31st of July. Brother J. M. Lewis, acting moderator protem. He is a man just ordained Elder. He is the second Joshua among his race. Sunday school convention and union has on foot several plans for the elevation of our race here Dr. E. R. Roberts and Miss McAvoy, from Florence, S. C., the missionaries for the Home Mission of the Baptists of South Carolina, are here. The Doctor leaves no stone unturned, and Miss McAvoy sees that they are all polished for the Negro race. May God bless them and their work wherever they may go.

The Negroes have been getting along very well ever since freedom. We have lived very peacefully together. Both Races have gotten along nicely for twenty-seven years. Our People own a good deal of property here, Mr. Peter Geralds is said to own $2,000 in Real Estate, Mr. Handy Smith $1,000, Rev. Z. Owens, J. J. Williams, H. Williams H. Palmer, L. S. and H. Reaves, B. L. Lewis and Mrs. C. R. Gerald from $500 to $1000, and several more from $100 to $500 We have no store that runs through the summer, but several that runs during the winter. This is a farming country.

NIAGARA FALLS EXCURSION

Via. the C. H. & D. R. R.

Under agreement of the Trunk Lines, it was decided that no Niagara Falls cheap excursions would be run this year until after the first of August. The Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad will run one of their famous excursions to Niagara Falls at the usual low rate, sometime about the first or second week in August. These excursions were discontinued last year owing to the World's Fair, and it is expected that they will be larger than ever this year. Lookout for the announcement of them in this paper.

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Death, is at all times sad, and especially so when brought home to our own hearts. But amid the general and sincere grief, there is no terror nor foreboding when the one who has passed "beyond the gates," leaves as a sweet fragrance, a long life of good deeds and uprightness. We mourn, 'tis true, but not as they who have no hope. Such was the feeling of those who gathered around the bed of Mrs. Kate A. Delany on the morning of July 11th, to witness the close of the earthly career of friend and mother.

The subject of this sketch was born Oct. 10, 1822, in Pittsburg, Pa., and was united in marriage to Dr. Martin R. Delaney March 15, 1843. She early professed a hope in Christ, and connected herself with Wylie Street A. M. E. church, in her native city.

Moving to Chatham, Ont., a few years later, she allied herself with the Protestant Episcopal church. In 1864 Dr. and Mrs. Delaney removed from Canada to Wilberforce, O., in order to give their children the advantage of its school facilities, and to rear them under its moral influence. Though not connecting herself with the church at this place, Mrs. Delaney always cheerfully contributed to its support. In the early days of the history and struggles of the school at Wilberforce, when men's souls were tried as by fire, she freely gave it her aid and encouragement, Her opinions, fearlessly expressed, and her strong convictions of the right, made her a true friend when once her sympathies were enlisted. Her positive nature was tempered by one of the kindest hearts that ever throbbed in human form. Seven children of the eleven have arrived to the years of maturity, to call her "blessed;" while she, like Cornelia of old, the mother of the famous "Gracchi," had oft repeated concerning them, "There are my jewels." She was known and loved by the whole vicinity. On any occasion no one was more welcome than "Ma Delaney," as she was called by all the young people who were intimately acquainted with her. Was there a fevered brow to soothe, whose touch was more gentle than hers? Was there a soul in deep distress, whose voice was more cheerful or assuring, whose council more hopeful?

Her amiable face, combined with her luxuriant hair, silvered by the hand of time, at once won the admiration and love of all.

No indigent student attending the school within the time extending from '64 to the time of her change, but that had been helped by her motherly advice, and from her hospitable board, whenever he sought it. Intelligent men and women delighted to visit and converse with her, a woman who kept pace with the times, reading constantly the current literature, and thus able to discuss the topics of the day.

Her Sabbath companion was the bible, she having read it through more than once in the last few years. A friend and companion to the children, she always was. (No turn-over, pies nor cookies in all the neighborhood seemed so sweet as "Ma Delany's.") So unselfish, self-sacrificing and kind hearted; was it any wonder that the community and her large host of acquaintances were shocked and pained to learn that after a brief illness of less than three days' duration, "Ma Delaney" had left us forever? Of the six children surviving her, only two, (Prof. F. S., of Madison, Ind., and Miss Hallie, the youngest child, her faithful and constant companion) stood near when the death angel came, but a host of friends were there to robe the dear form and fold the hands for the last sleep. Soon the other children arrived from the far South and Chicago. It was on Sabbath, the 15th, ult., that a large concourse of friends (some from distant cities) met in the home, sheltered by its evergreen trees and creeping vines, for the last sad rites. The rich black casket with the simple, but touching inscription, "Mother," held all that was mortal of our loved one.

Many and beautiful were the floral tributes that came from the vicinity and great distances as reminders of the esteem of her. One, a beautiful sheath, (from friends in Madison, Ind.) consisted of seventy-one marchalneil roses, emblematic of her age; another was a handsome cross from the Ladies' College and Society, of which she was a charter member. There were many others of equal beauty. One interesting feature was that the sheaf of wheat used on the occasion of Major Delany's funeral nine years ago, was used on this occasion.

The ceremonies were simple, but beautiful and impressive. Accompanied by the soft tones of the organ, the choir sang, "Take comfort, Chrisians, when your friends, etc.," after which Rev. J. P. Maxwell prayed an affecting prayer, invoking Christ's comfort for the broken-hearted. Then, following the hymn, "Shall you, shall I?" Rev. G. W. Prioleau read the scripture lesson from 1 Cor. xv chap., and our hearts were cheered by the thought of a glorious immortality. The hymn, "Somewhere," by the choir, was a fitting prelude for Dr. Mitchell's excellent remarks from Rev. xxi 1, "He that overcometh, etc."

The soul inspiring hymn, "Jesus pilot me," was sung; Bishop B. W. Arnett delivered the sermon from "Ma Delany's" favorite text, 2 Cor. 5 chap. 2 verse, "For we know if this earthly house of our tabernacle be dissolved," etc. Though he had been indisposed for several days, he spoke with power, and the sermon was replete with incidents from the life of the beloved one before us, and tender and consoling words to the bereaved ones.

He spoke of the public life of the late husband, demanding his absence from home the most of the time, and of the consequent necessity of the mother taking the part of both father and mother. What sacrifices she had made for her husband, home and children, that the former might not fall from the responsible position he had taken, and that the latter might rise to honorable and useful manhood and womanhood.

The Bishop dwelt at length upon the faith these parents showed in the race and its possibilities, when they bestowed upon their children the names of some of the world's black heroes, such as Toussaint L'Ouverture, Chas. Lenox Remond, (now dead) Alexander Dumas, St. Cyprian, Faustin Soulouque, Placido Rameses, Hallie Amelia Ethiopia.

The Bishop found response in each heart when he said all who knew her intimately loved her, irrespective of condition, and that the large number had met on that occasion to show it.

As the choir sang, "Over the hills the sun is setting," the final earthly farewell was taken; and afterward the organ breathed out in mournful, still heavenly tones, "Flee as a bird to your mountain," when the casket was borne from the house to the hearse by her sons, the active pall-bearers, and the long, solemn funeral cortage moved slowly to the peaceful Cedar Cliff cemetary, three miles distant, where the dust of the cherished mother was laid beside that of the sleeping husband and father, to await the resurrection morn.

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The laying of the corner stone of Roanoke Baptist church building, on Sunday, July 29th, was quite an affair. In the morning of that day Prof. Jos. A. Booker, from Little Rock, preached to a good sized audience. In the afternoon the history of the church was read, and Prof. Booker again spoke to a large and attentive audience, after which the corner stone was put in place by Elders Rufns Baker, the second pastor in the history of the church; C. P. Hughes, another ex-pastor; J. R. Bennett, the present pastor, and D. Nightingale, pastor of Eureka church, this city. At night Prof. Booker again treated the audience to an excellent discourse, and the pastor of the church concluded the exercises by announcing that there had been collected, all told, during the day toward the building $83.00. A small sum at first sight, but when it is remembered that scarcely any of the membership or congregation have any employment, and that many are actually suffering for the necessaries of life, it is quite a sum.

The Odd Fellows laid the corner stone to their new building, on Gulpha street, Tuesday, July 31st. The K. of P. lodges turned out with them and helped make the occasion an auspicious one. During last week we were treated to a rare treat in the form of a "Dumb Bell" drill. It was for the benefit of Mt. Canaan Baptist church and was led by Miss Sadie Hughes, daughter of the pastor of the church. About one night out of every week now is spent in picnicing in some grove for the benefit of some one of our many churches.

Whether our churches, as at present managed, are not the sources of more harm than good is to me an open question. If we are not teaching immorality more than we are the opposite, then "things are not what they seem"—to me. As I view it we are Spartan-like, hugging to our bosom the fox which is eating out our vitals. I sincerely hope, however, that my view is "through a glass darkly."

Delegates to the District lodge of the G. U. O. of O. F. will leave for Ft. Smith on Monday, Aug. 6th. The Republicans of our county on Saturday, July 28th, in convention assembled resolved for the first time in several years to put out a county ticket and contest the field with the Democrats and Populists. It is said an excellent ticket was selected. The convention was addressed by Ex-Gov. Powell Clayton. The Populists, as I understand, will also put out a ticket and then there are several Independent candidates, and so our political pot is expected to boil and bubble as it has not done for some time. May the fellow who gets the most votes win the day, for he does not always do so.

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[From Inter-Ocean.]

Miss Ida B. Wells, the advocate of the rights of the colored people and the agitator against lynching, who has just returned from a four months' tour of lecturing on the subject in England, spoke in New York July 29th, at Bethel A. M. E. church. The church was filled, many white people being among the listeners. T. Thomas Fortune, president of the Afro-American League, introduced Miss Wells, who said she went to England at the invitation of some of the prominent thinkers there, after having been denied the privilege in Boston, New York and before the President. She addressed 102 meetings in England, she said, and as a result an anti-lynching committee composed of prominent people was formed at each of these meetings. Resolutions were passed urging the American public to abolish the barbaric outrage against human life. Miss Wells said that the people of the South are as bitter against the Negroes as they were before the days of freedom. When she was in England copies of Southern newspapers containing articles attacking her personal character were spread broadcast there, and everything was done to influence the British public against her.

"We want the colored race to be placed in the proper light before the people of this country," Miss Wells concluded, for "there is in literature no true type of the negro as he is today. The lawless lynchings in the South for alleged crimes against the whites are, ninety-nine cases out of a hundred, simple outrages against our race. The press is in control of the whites, and the attacks upon us are colored to suit themselves. The colored people of this country should organize themselves from one end of the country to the other. They should at least contribute the sinews of war with which to fight the battle. The South knows that we are very much disorganized. It is our duty to see that every story published from the South, in which a negro is accused of some fiendish act and lynched for it, is run down by our own detectives, if necessary, and the other side of it published. There are two sides to every lynching."

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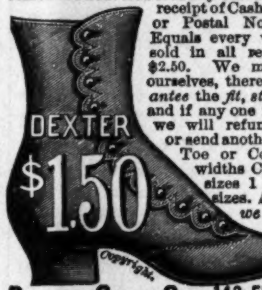

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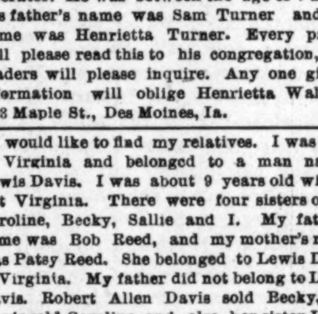

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MR. EDITOR:

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MRS. LELIA M. WILLIAMS,
313 Grayson street,
July 31, '94. Jackson, Miss.

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R. C. CLEMMONS,
Lakeland, Polk county, Fla.
July 28, '94.

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Please find money order for $1.00, for which you will please renew my subscription as my time is nearly out and I can't afford to be without it.

LAURA BROOKS, Monrovia, Ind.
Aug. 3, '94.

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EDITOR FREEMAN:

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1819 Clinton street,
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EDITOR FREEMAN:

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MISS LULA MASON,
July 9, '94. Crescent Hill, Ky.

Will Continue To Take It.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

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E. W. DORSEY,
July 24, '94. Parsons, Kan.

His Wife Joins Him.

My wife is very fond of The Freeman and always joins me in my subscription.

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EDITOR FREEMAN:

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H. H. GASTON,
Lock Box 872. Palestine, Tex.
July 16, '94.

"Ought To Be In The Home of Every Afro-American."

MR. EDITOR:

I have been taking The Freeman about six months, and I like it splendidly; it is a fine paper. You will find inclosed fifty cents in postage stamps, for which please send me the grand Negro organ six more months. It ought to be in the home of every Afro-American.

R. T. GIBSON, Oakville, Ala.
July 5, '94.

The Other Race.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Inclosed you will find $1.00 in payment for my subscription to your great paper, The Freeman, for one year.

STANTON J. PEELLE,
Judge of the Court of Claims,
April 1, '94. Washington D. C.

"Would Not Be Without It."

MR. EDITOR:

I send inclosed $1.00 to pay my renewal to The Freeman—a great paper. I would not be without it.

BENJ. JOHNSON, Towson, Md.,
July 26, '94. Box 178.

Liked Our Pious Argument.

MR. EDITOR:

Please put my name on The Freeman list again. After seeing that very pious and sensible argument on "Winter Baptisms" I decided to continue, but was unable to remit in time. Find inclosed $1.00.

C. P. JONES,
July 23, '94. Selma, Ala.

"May It Live Long And Prosper."

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Find inclosed P. O. money order for $1.00 for renewal of my subscription to your valuable paper, The Freeman. I have been a reader of your paper nearly ever since it was established. May it long live and carry on the good work for our race.

J. W. PAGE,
Alderman Ninth Ward,
Cor. Kellogg and Howard streets,
July 14, '94. Clarksville, Tenn.

"Most Worthy Paper."

MR. EDITOR:

I hereby renew my subscription, long since over due. It is a most worthy paper and deserves support.

E. W. HENDERSON,
130 Tenth street, S. E,
July 25, 94. Washington, D C.

The Ex-Senator a Well Wisher.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

If I have not paid my subscription to The Freeman, of which I am somewhat in doubt, I will do so if you will notify me. Sometimes these matters escape me, notwithstanding my care. I still read The Freeman with pleasure and profit, and wish it great success.

B. K. BRUCE,
Aug. 3, '94. Washington, D. C.

NOTICE.

RICHMOND, VA, June 27, 1894,

To the Afro-American Press of the United States, Greeting:

The next annual meeting of the Afro-American Press Association will be held in the City of Richmond, State of Virginia, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 11, 12 and 13, '94.

There is much business to be transacted, momentous questions to be discussed and a new policy to be put into active operation. A large attendance is desired, and every editor should be represented in person. Signed:

JOHN MITCHELL, JR, Pres,
Editor Richmond (Va.) Planet.
G. W. CLINTON, Sec'y,
Editor Star of Zion,
Salisbury, N. C.

TOUCH NOT MY SOUL.

Touch not my soul
O, day
Of Light,
Bring me the silent hours
Of love and wayward flowers
Their ray
And flight
To heal my soul.

Grieve not my peace
O, night
Of song
Bring me the silent gleams
Of love and love's own dreams,
Their sight
And throng
To hold my peace.

Soul, Peace and Heart
Dost live
For me?
Didst find the Silent fear
I held in wayward cheer
To give
To thee,
Soul, Peace and Heart?

—[W. H. A. MOORE, Editor Chicago Observer.

THE EDITOR'S SATURDAY MORNING TALK.

Good morning, friends and readers, and especially advance pilgrims of the great Negro Democratic pow wow, good morning! Hail, and welcome to our broad streets and hospitable homes, but "on your lives!" do not intrude upon our political views, for we are "dead agin you."

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Perhaps the aggregated, formulated, "fired off" Negro Democracy to meet in national pow wow next Tuesday in our city, will be able and willing to tell a listening world why their masters, the Gormanites, Vorheesites, Hill and Millsites, with other "ites" to numerous to mention as leaders (?), never learn anything new or forget anything bad in the matter of the philosophy of government. We shall see.

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Henri Watterson, the leonine the majestic, and father of the "star eyed goddess," is sad and depressed these days of Democratic blundering and weakness. Had he his way for one sweet little day, what a stirring up of the dry bones would take place in the halls that once echoed to the tread of "great and courageously wise Democrats of other days." But alas, and alack, Henri like the rest of we poor suffering Americans, is but a looker on in Vienna, and must bide his time.

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Personally, we have no kick coming against Debs, he was and is opposed to Trades Union oppositions to the Negro. In this respect, he is to be commended above his fellows and is entitled to the admiring consideration of colored men. But we were about to remark, what a contrast to the Debs, all powerful of a few weeks ago, whose name filled the world, and the Debs of to-day, shorn, muzzled and humbled. "Yesterday his name was mighty on earth," to-day 'tis what—mud!

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What a medley of great (?) Negro Democratic souls may be with us next week. Matthews, of New York, harmless but elegant; Stewart, of Brooklyn, Fortune's Damon; the bewhiskered Albanian, Johnson of the Capital; Still but so noisy, from the home of Penn; the scholarly Grimpke, from the Old Bay State; Christy of the wide wide "World" Astwood, the knocked out, from everywhere, Calais excepted; Manning, of Indiana, suave and hopeful; Hill, of the same state, pugnacious and able; Montgomery, of Miss., pessimistic but polished; Turner, of Missouri, the orator of the gang; Clark, of St. Louis, taciturn and dignified; Wheeler of Illinois, of glittering possibilities; Taylor, of Iowa, unfortunate in bearing the name of a "bigger" man sporting the same handle; Downing, of "Little Rhody," famous beau and exquisite; Bell, of Colorado, of vaulting ambition; "Col." Jas. A. Ross, bohemian and cosmopolitan; and without daring to call by name the "camp followers" and "hangers on," last, but first, the Moloch of the whole "queer" business, "Col" C. H. J. Taylor, of Kansas, "ex-minister to Liberia, sah!" "ex-minister (by appointment), sah!" to Bolivia, and present "Recorder of the District of Columbia, sah! and successor to Douglass and Bruce, sah!"

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The tramp and rumble of the coming calvacade is quite plain to the ear. Next Tuesday, Taylor, that planet of onward sweep (for Taylor), surrounded by his faithful satellites, will be a guest of the Indianapolitians in one sense, but in another and more significant, the avant coureur of the beginning of the end of a fiction. This fiction, nevertheless sustained, nourished and "worked" with admirable dexterity, has succeeded in "landing" Taylor himself by presidential appointment, at least three times as minister and embassador to foreign courts, of naming three and creating two District Recorders, of which, he Taylor, is the latest, the most able and "cute;" of sending a Democratic Negro U. S. Minister to Hayti, of creating numerous Counsels, and here at home tincturing the domestic service of the government with numerous sprigs of Negro Democracy to give "color," if nothing more, to the later day, new found love for the Negro, etc. We have spoken of the whole glittering phantasmagora of Negro Democracy as fiction, and so it is, the most laughable of the day, and the cause for the same is about equally divided between the gullibility of Democracy proper and her leaders (?) of easy mark, and the inherent tendencies of certain "smart" Negroes to work a "sucker" for all he's worth, when they have him once in hand Fiction! Well we should say, unadulterated, coldblooded and cruel, and woe to Negro Democracy when its dupes finally awaken to the same. However sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof. THE FREEMAN, upon its own behalf, welcomes the National Democratic Negro Convention to Indianapolis, and sincerely trusts that the humble members of the same, along with its shining lights, were wise enough to secure return tickets to their native heath before kissing their loved ones good bye. Walking this torid weather is mighty oppressive.

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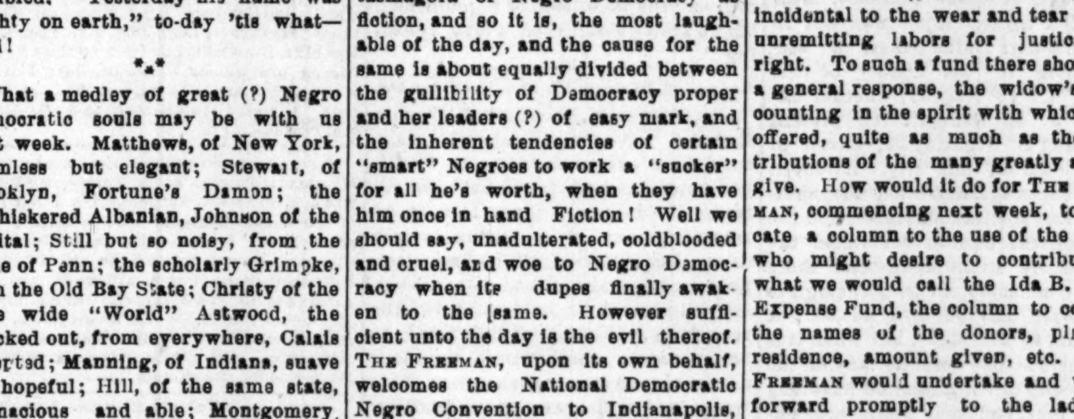
What will the harvest be for Miss Wells now that she is once more upon her native heath? Will the race so loud-mouthed in singing her praises and inscribing resolutions, etc., on parchment stop long enough to do something tangible for its heroine? Miss Wells, no more than "Miss Butterfly," cannot live on honied words of praise alone, pretty words of praise being entirely inadequate to butter parsnips. Let the truth be told, this little woman has done more within the last four months to arouse the inquiring, philanthropic attention of the civilized world to the unfortunate surroundings and hope of the Negro in America than had resulted prior to her tour from the combined efforts of all the "big men" of the race. This statement may at first glance be somewhat startling, nevertheless it is true. Her labors, so bravely and well directed, have been and will continue to be for all the race, and we are sure if all the race only knew how to get at it, it would hasten to give Miss Wells some tangible proof in dollars and cents of its live appreciation of the same. We think we are safe in saying Miss Wells is neither looking for nor would she accept monied contributions as a reward for her labors, as indeed she could not, for her labors on behalf of the race cannot be reckoned by dollars and cents, but tradespeople, common carriers, on land and sea, inn and hotel keepers, have got a way of taxing philanthropists for favors extended at the same grasping rate thet ordinary mortals are mulcted for. In a word, the race could with great propriety assume the payment of Miss Wells' traveling and other expenses incidental to the wear and tear of her unremitting labors for justice and right. To such a fund there should be a general response, the widow's mite counting in the spirit with which it is offered, quite as much as the contributions of the many greatly able to give. How would it do for THE FREEMAN, commencing next week, to dedicate a column to the use of the many who might desire to contribute to what we would call the Ida B. Wells Expense Fund, the column to contain the names of the donors, place of residence, amount given, etc. THE FREEMAN would undertake and would forward promptly to the lady all monies forwarded to us for the object named.

We would be pleased to receive short, pointed opinions from any one as to the wisdom and advisability of our suggestion. Write to us.



NOTICE!

The attention of the National Negro Democratic Conference, to meet in Indianapolis next Tuesday, is respectfully directed to the above picture of real life. Gentlemen, cannot you persuade the white members of your party South, to cease these persecutions of your brethren ?

HANGED FOR MANSLAUGHTER.

William H. Duncan Executed Illegally—A Travesty on Justice.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

On Friday July 27th, William Harrison Duncan was hanged for the murder of police officer James Brady. The execution was at Clayton, between the hours of six and seven a. m. He died protesting his innocence.

The case was a remarkable one, seven times had the date of the execution been fixed, all local efforts from the lowest to the highest had been exhausted by his attorney Walter M. Farmer. The crime for which Duncan paid the penalty occured at Starks' saloon 715 N. 11th St., Oct. 6, 1890. A row occured at the above named place, officer Gafney was knocked down twice by Duncan and his revolver secured. About that time two police officers entered, Duncan fired twice at them in return for a volley fired at him and retreated behind the counter. The officers began firing to dislodge him and officer Brady who had just come in was shot while leaning over the bar shooting at Duncan. Duncan then surrendered. The case was tried twice in the criminal court, and the defendent found guilty of murder in the first degree. It was then taken to the supreme court of Missouri and the decision of the lower court affirmed. His attorney then made an effort to try it before the supreme court of the United States, but the supreme court dismissed the case saying there was no ground for anj appeal. An effert was then made to have Gov. Stone commute the sentence to imprisonment, but this the governor refused to do.

Abundance of evidence was brought forward to prove that from the surroundings, the position of Duncan and Brady and the nature of the fatal shot the accused could not have killed Brady, but this, evidence had no effect with the jury; they could only see Duncan as the murderer. Their action may seem strange, but when it is known that the jury had agreed to throw out all testimony except that furnished by the police, it does not seem so. Duncan's position and the condition from which the fatal shot came had no effect on the verdict :twice he was found guilty of murder in the first degree, yet at the most, granted that he killed Brady, he could only be found guilty of murder in the second degree, because the officers did not call on him to surrender, but were trying their best to shoot him, and had he shot one of them he could only be convicted of murder in the second degree. But some one must pay the penalty of death, a murder had been committed, by whom was not proven, but as Duncan was the most feasable one, and the man killed was a police officer, the accused must suffer. The sentence was murder in the first degree, but judge Edwards in sentencing him said he did not believe he was guilty. All legal efferts having been exhausted in the courts an appeal was made to have the governor commute the sentence to imprisonment but this was not successful. Duncans attorney pronounces the execution illegal, and a disgrace to the state of Missouri, for never before had such evidence favoring a commutation been presented to the governor, but his mind seemed to have been made up and the evidence had no effect.

Family Affairs On the Street.

Clarendon, Ark., Special.

Mr. Sneed visited Miss Keith, Sunday, where she is teaching. Bishop H. M. Turner passed through the city last week enroute to Pine Bluff Mrs. A. Howell and Mrs. Annie Mullins were in Holly Grove last week to attend the funeral of Rev. Reuben Johnson, one of the A. M. E. ministers. He is missed much by the people of Holly grove he left a family and a host of friends to morn after him Mr. T. L. attended the state convention this week of the G U. O. of O. F. which was held at Fort Smith Ark. Mrs. Lillard, of Alabama. wife of Prof. Lillard came on Friday the 3. Prof. Carter, of Helena, was in the city last week in route to Arkadelphia, where he is expected principal of the A M. E. shools we wish him much success.

Rev. W. M, Grower, of Brinkly, Ark., was in town Monday last. Mr. James Davis is not employed by Mrs. Howell any more. Mrs. Matilda Carruth has been on the sick list this week. Rev. Brown presiding elder, of Helena district, was here last week. Dr. Flannagan has been on the sick list, but is up again. Prof A J. White has moved in one of the holly houses. Mitch McCray left town by the light of the moon. The boys of Clarendon have been at a loss this week, the preachers left and the girls followed. Mrs. Williams Mrs. Washington and Miss Hays are new subscribers for The Freeman. Elder Jones was in town Saturday.

Wm. Orr was in Newport last week carrying a prisoner who had got away from the farm. Who is it Sneede or Jacobs? our people ought to learn to keep family affairs at home, and not go out on the streets and disgrace the whole race. Mrs. Hall is keeping boaders on Main street, we wish her much success. The crazy woman got out of jail last week but was soon put back.

Time Flies! Only Four more days are yours. Have you Renewed? Have you Subscribed? One year $1.00; See!

CONGRATULATORY REMARKS

By the Bishop—The Baptist Convention—Picnics and Fish Fries.

Helena, Ark., Special.

Mrs. Thomas Craig is convalescing from a serious illness. Mrs. Carrie M. Hall after having succeeded in putting her sister in the convent at Baltimore, M. D. returned home via Vicksburg, Miss. The infamous and scandalous trial that Rev. S. D. Gibson was to encounter before Squire A. D. Herron, was dismissed; the prosecutors failed to to appear. Stand to your wheel Elder Gibson and steer a right; smooth sea never made a skillful mariner. Though all may be against you if God is for you, you will have success.

Died in South Helena, Jack Woods. His funeral was preached at the 2nd Baptist church. Mrs. Geo. Robinson extended eight invitations, which were highly appreciated. Miss Emma E. Burnes and Mr. Ray Morris, Miss Dollie Gentry and Mr. Eugene Latting, Miss Ellenora Horton and Ike William, Miss Lizzie Martin and The Freeman was wanted, his illness prevented. The participants claimed to be in laps of luxuries and enjoyed a good time. They were "out of sight," and had "a time" with readings, music, recitations and games. Wilson and Turner's newly made wagon for delivery, is a thing of beauty. The White Plume social club had an enjoyable affair in the shape of a picnic and a fish fry, on Jack Goodman's Island north east of the city between the Chute and Mississippi river in a beautiful grove. The attendance, though it was a drizzling day, was extraordinarily large.

Dr. J. W. O. Marquess is having built a neat office and drug store on one of his lots in South Helena preparatory to occupancy by him. Bishop A. M. Turner, L., L., D., of New Jersey, passed through the city enroute, to Pine Bluff, where he will meet the minister's institute. He stayed with us all day Sunday to give us as much talk as possible. He preached two sermons during the day. At night he was unable to preach. Rev E. Brown P. E. preached instead. After service the Bishop listened to the reading of several reports from different organizations. Nick Wynne reported the stewards, Misses Mary Wright, Sec, of the girl's missionary reported, $17.40. Mr. Temple Alexander, Sec. of the America African mission read his report with, $6 45 in the treasury for the heathen's cause. This organization of little folks struck the Bishop's heart. He was enthused to know that children were doing such great work, and they are the only one "boys and girls missionary in the U. S." The Bishop's congratulatory remarks were a sermon, he says that he will publish their names in the Voice of Missions.

Miss Lulu Hibbs took leave for Memphis, via Forrest city, where she spent a few days. Memorial services were held at the A. M. E. church for Mr. Samuel L. Lamkins, originally of Greenville, Miss., formally of this city where he had resided for eight ornine years as a carpenter in the A. O. W. until sickness bade him stop. His daughter took him to his home where he died. His death was quite a gloom to two city's churches and lodges. At the memorial exercises Mr. Chas. Anderson read a paper on his citizenship, Mrs. James Grayer read on essay touching his ability as a model class leader, Mr. Washington Hargraves commented from a manuscript the duty of Mr. Lamkin as a trustee, Rev. E. Rrown, P. E. andRev. S. W. Swan made some remarks relative to his position, wondering who will be the next to succeed such an able worker.

The Baptist state convention will convene in the city Aug. 22, Preparations are being made among the churches to have the convention to surpass all previous efforts; 65000 Baptists will be represented in the state. We are having too much fun for the money and the health, picnics are surplus each day, there are two and three gathering. We are having fun now, not bothered about Krisp and his cold weather. The bright lights of Mrs. Watson Gentry's unique barber flashed upon several faces of gay participants while they were having "a time," with refreshments and music. The Baptist Young Folk's union continues its program each Wednesday night to a good house. Mr. Chas. Anderson and elder son have turned out a neatly painted cart for Mr. Coolidge (white). He has got a good eye on him for colors.

Messrs W. L. Owens, Chas. Henderson, L. M. Hibbs, and F. Goodman procured a half platform, took a drive to Southland where they were heartly received. Mr. Albert Martin, of Marianna, who came here from St. Louis, Mo., to accept a chair in Wilson's barber shop, took leave for St Louis, don't like here. Rev. A. H. Miller after much persuation has condescended to accept the pastorage of king Soloman's temple, (Baptist) at which place the Y, M. F. club gave a supper and cake walk, which was hotly contested. Mr. Monroe Caver and Maggie Holmes, Mr. Chall Dixon and Miss Mary Morrison were the best walkers and won the cake.

Subcribers you must pay our agent or he can't handle your paper. He tries to make it newsy for you, and deserves his pay. Mrs. Robt. Adams and Mrs. Bettie McDonald and Miss Joanna People have become readers of The Freeman.

Prof. Jackson Dead.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Dr. W. H. Hastey, of Washington, D. C., has the assistant principalship of Howard High School. Miss Delia Parks left on the 4th inst. for her home in Cleveland, Tenn. Miss L. M. Carson returned home Saturday from Lafayette, Ga. Miss Callie Walker, of Huntsville, Ala., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Crawford, on Boyce street. Miss Lela Fobby, while out driving with two of her brothers near St. Elmo, was thrown from the buggy by the horse becoming frightened very suddenly and running away. None were very seriously hurt.

Prof. John Jackson died Thursday morning. He was in the prime of life and was an exceptionally bright young man. The funeral took place at the First Congregational church Friday afternoon, Rev. J. E. Smith officiating. His remains were shipped to Oberlin, O., for interment. Leave your orders for The Freeman at Dr. O. W. James' drug store, 403 W. Ninth street. On Friday night, the 3rd inst., society was in full bloom at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Rose, on Grove street, where an entertainment was given by the young ladies in honor of Miss Della Parks, of Cleveland, Tenn., and Miss Holmes, of Atlanta, Ga. The Musical concert at Evans' hall, on Market street, Monday night, by Prof. A. Calhoun was worthy of comment. The programme was very interesting as well as lengthy. He was assisted by Chattanooga's best talent.

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JUDASES IN THE CHURCH.

Money no Doubt Influencing Them—The Bishop to be Informed.

Selma, Ala., Special.

EDITOR FREEMAN—Please allow us space in your paper to state a few facts concerning so-called leaders of the Negro race of Selma and surrounding country. The Rev. W. H. Mixon and Rev. A. W. Atwaters have gone into politics on the side against the Negro race for the sake of money. Rev. W. H. Mixon has once been a presiding elder of the A. M. E. Church of this district, and Rev. A. W. Atwater a prominent minister at Camden, Ala. Rev. Mixon opened a so-called mass-meeting of the Negro race with prayer on August 1st, in daylight on the public streets. Rev. Atwaters was very calm in his way of speaking, and our object is to gain some information through the press whether these elders and preachers can partake of politics in this shape. We will also continue to write, six months, and prove that he who partakes of politics in this form as an elder or preacher, the same is a desecrator of the gospel for the cause of Christ. Well! well! well! What is to become of the leading Negroes of the country? The idea of Rev W. H. Mixon calling a meeting with prayer, and calling it the Republican's meeting; and he knew at the same time it was for the benefit of the Democrat party, and having people come for miles to hear them speak and say who they themselves were going to vote for. Where is Bishop Grant? He does not hear of all this lawless work against our people. We intend that he shall hear and know what they are doing—running the churches and driving people from our connection Nobody compels them. They are doing it on their own accord and for the sake of money. Bishop Grant told them when he first commenced to preside over them that they should have nothing to do with politics at all, only cast their votes for whom they pleased. But for the sake of a few promised pennies they have betrayed their trust. "O ye Judases, how often would we have honored thee," as a mother doth her boys, but ye would not. Now your positions are left desolate and you shall no more know us, until ye say blessed are they that cometh in the name of the right party. O Judas, Judas, where is thy betrayal money?

Yours in Christ,

TRUSTEES A. M. E CHURCH.

Young Men's Christian Club Entertain.

Twin City, Pa., Special.

The concert and entertainment given at Siloam Baptist church Monday evening July 30, 1894 was very interesting the program was short, but every one seemed to have enjoyed themselves. Miss Hattie Reed, of No. 171 Western Ave., Allegheny City, has returned home from New York State. The picnic given by the Carron street and Antioch Baptist churches, was very well attended. Mrs. J. W. Warrack, of No. 241 Cauon St. E. E. did not go on her expected trip to Winchester Virginia. The Siloam Baptist church have elected new trustees. The entertainment given at Gordel's Hall corner of Penn. and Collins Ave., for the benefit of the Young Men's Christian Club was an enjoyable one.

Mr. H. C. Oliver is spending a pleasant sojourn in Canada, will return about Sept. 1st. "The Negro American Sun" has gone down, wheather she will rise again we cannot say.

Will Have a High School.

Metropolis, Ill., Special.

Misses Ida Watkins and Mary Lyons are improving. Emanuel Grace is on the decline. Miss Louvenia Hutchinson made a visit to Union City last week. Mrs. Georgia Rice, in company with Misses Amanda Rucker and Eliza Watkins, returned from a visit to her parents at Eddyville, Ky. Rev. G. W. Rowlett of Illinois Star Lodge No. 1808, G. U. O. O. F., will represent the above lodge as its delegate to District Lodge No. 9, which meets at Champaign from the 7th to the 9th inst. The school board met at the Baptist church in response to a petition that was presented to them some time ago, asking for higher grades, which they propose to grant, and another teacher will be required, giving a chance to some teacher who may be out of employment. Rev. Burton did not hesitate one minute to present our case to the board. He took a bold stand and wavered not; likewise also did J. L. Turnbo. We are entitled to a high school and must have it, or go to their high school. We have waited too long now. We have never yet had the honor of sending out a graduate, but henceforward listen for us.

ADDRESSED THE PEOPLE.

Tendered a Reception—New Pastor well Received.

Wilmington, Del., Special.

Quite a large number of young people met in the hall at 214 East Fourth street, Friday evening, the 3d inst., to consider the advisability of organizing a Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. Hunting addressed the meeting. Bethel A. M. E. Sunday-school will run an excursion to Lemmon Hill on August 25. Rev. Charles Smith, of Florida, is visiting our city, and is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Tomlinson, 841 Windsor street. Mr. George A. Cropper was in Middletown, Del., a few days ago. Mr. James Wheeler, who has been quite ill, is able to be out. Mr. C. H. View, 205 East Fifteenth street, who has been sick for a few days, is able to be out. Mrs. Mary Johnson, of 847 Windsor street, is sick. The Wilmington Patriarch No. 20, G. U. O. of O. F. will give their first excursion to Reading, Pa., Wednesday, September 12. The Murray Lyceum tendered William Jenkins, of 915 Wilson street, a surgrise on Friday evening, the 3d. Mr. Edward Stapes has moved his barber shop from French street to Eighth street, between Orange and Fatall streets, where he wishes the patronage of his old customers. The Miss C. V. America, of Germantown, is visiting her parents at No. 9 East Fifteenth street. Mrs. Allen T. Nedford was buried from Zion M. E. Church on Wednesday, Aug. 1. The Eighth-street Baptist Mission will run an excursion to Penn's Grove on Thursday, August 16. Presidtng Elder Waters held quarterly meeting at Galena, Md., Sunday, August 5. Rev. C. N. Grandison, D. D., has arrived home from Baltimore, where he has been attending the teachers' institute. Rev. James Smith, who has been confined to his home on Lombard street, above Eleventh, was able to be at church last Sunday for the first time in eight weeks or more. Miss Perlener F. Roslsler is spending the summer with her parents in Virginia. Rev. James Sargent, the new pastor of the A. U. M. P. Church is meeting with much success. He was transferred from the West India Conference to the pastoral work in this city very recently. Mr. Eugene Brown has gone to Cleveland, O., to reside. Miss Sarah Walker was in Newport, Del., recently. Mr. Charles Gant is at Cape May for the season.

SOME DEMOCRATIC FACES.

LAWYER, J. T. V. HILL,
Indiana. Expected to be present at the National Negro Democratic Conference, to convene in Indianapolis Tuesday, August 14th.

PHYSICIAN, DR. WESLEY ROBBINS,
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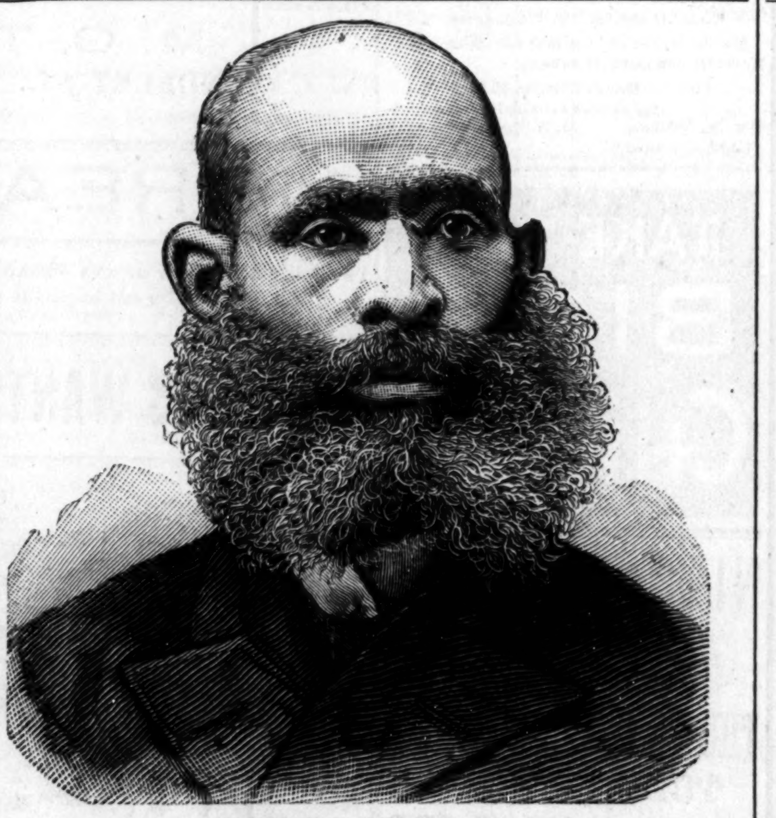

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Warned! The Mischief Maker.

Monmouth, Ill, Special.

Our attention has frequently been called to that class of meddlers that try to make trouble between man and wife, by writing anomyous letters and using the same weapon upon innocent girls to warn them aganst interfering with some one's husband. The person is too mean to live that will write these letters, and cowardly as a cur that cannot attach their signatures. This is a warning. Beware! Mort Ford and son, were guests of friends here last week. Mrs. Ambrose Jackson, of Ft. Madison Iowa, visited the family of Richard Wallace last week. They returned home Saturday accompanied by Miss Bessie Wallace.

Mrs. William Murphy and little Bessie, who have been quite ill have recovered. An old fashion camp-meeting will be held at the Kirkwood mineral springs, under the auspices of the Baptist church Sunday. Rev. Washington will conduct the services. Miss Emma McGruder, of Galesburg, was the guest of Mrs. William Jefferson this week, she returned home last Tuesday. One of the most successful and interesting meetings of the workingmen's Rep. club was held last Friday. The principal speker was Mr. Peacock, he spoke at length upon the reeds of the laborer, and showed conclusively that it was to their interest to stick to the Republican party. His address was instructive throughout.

The Saturday Picnic.

Ennis, Texas, Special.

Quite a number of our people were in attendance at the picnics, Saturday, at Corsicana, Rice and Horeb. Everybody reports a grand time. Clint Thomas and Emmet Beck left this morning for their home in the West, where they will pursue their usual occupation. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Dennis were in the city last week visiting Mrs. Dennis' sister. James Swain and Miss Nora Hasewood were married on Aug. 2nd. Mrs. Hattie Lester is ill. Mr. Underhill is building a house. Jerry Dubert returned from Powell last week.

Dave Peatterson, P. Beatly, C. C Aikins and John McMalking were in the city last Sunday. Sam Yoven's wife is able to do her work now. The Republican party seems to be very dull here at present. Now, colored brothers, come and let's go to work before it is too late. You have been warned by the whole Union that the Republican party wants to go to the front this fall, so now is the time to get in your work and give the Democrats a fair trial. I would be glad if the colored voters of this city would come together as valliaint soldiers and say that they will not split anymore. Vote on time and vote the solid Republican ticket. Be men and hold up for your race. We have a hard road to travel; combat on every side and a stumbling block before us. So we can't be too soon about coming together. Now I want some colored brother to help me in this city to call the club together and go to work at once.

H. G.

Ellegant Wedding.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

Joseph Thompkins, a mail carrier and one of the wealthiest young men of this city, was married to Miss Katie Townsley, one of the most beautiful, refined and well educated young ladies ever reared in Clarksville, She stands before the public "as pure as heaven's blue." The marriage took place in the Fifth Ward Baptist church, the finest of color in the city, one of the finest in the South. The attendance was large; hundreds could not enter. Scores of the best whites were present, all say that it was the grandest they ever witnessed. It was promptly on time, orderly, quiet and elegant beyond description. The bride wore an elegant white silk trimmed in white silk lace and orange blossoms, with an exceedingly long train. The wedding was unique in every respect. The bride and groom stood beneath a large white flower bell. The decoration is estimated at $50 00. The attendants were four little girls, who scattered flowers, two maids, maid of honor, best man, four ushers and two ribbon bearers, all of the best families of the city. The pastor, Rev O A. Kenney, officiated. The ceremony was simple and pleasing. The bridal party moved to the strains of Mendelsohn's wedding march, the pastor's wife presiding. Mr. Thompkins carries his wife to a most elegant home, with all the modern improvements.

Fifth Ward gave another grand concert this week. These entertainments are second to none in refinement and culture. The attendance is always good of both white and colored. This church has one of the finest choirs in the South. G. W. Hudson opens school Monday The concert at Mt. Olive was a financial success. The Windon concerts were excellent. All the mail carriers of this city are colored. Mrs. Kennedy, who gives piano, organ and vocal lessons, will take a rest soon.

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THE LILAC.

The lilac stood close to Elizabeth's window,
All purple with bloom while the little maid spun;
Her stint was a long one and she was aweary,
And moaned that she never could get it done.

But a wind set stirring the lilac blossoms,
And a wonderful sweetness came floating in,
And Elizabeth felt, though she could not have said it,
That a friend had come to her to help her spin.

And after that she kept on at her spinning,
Gay as a bird; for the world had begun
To seem such a pleasant, good place for working,
That she was amazed when her stint was done.

And the pale-browned, little New England maiden,
Outside of her lessons, had learned that day
That the sweetness around us will sweeten labor,
If we will but let it have its way.

(Mary E. Wilkins, in St. Nicholas Magazine.

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Pretty summer dresses are made of cream tinted Indian muslins emboidered in delicate colors.

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Miss Johnson has won the highest honors at Cambridge University, England, distancing all her male competitors.

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A woman's love for her husband is unreasonably strong when she finds out that his taste on dressess does not differ from hers.

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Miss Sara Yorke Stevenson, who has received the usual distinction of an honorary degree from the University of Pennsylvania, has long been known as one of the most learned archæologists in the country. So well established in her reputation in this line of research that she was invited by the World's Fair authorities to act as one of the jury on the archæological department, and her work there was highly complimented.

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Miss Hattie Angell, a blind girl of Swissvale, near Pittsburg, is quite a proficient typesetter. She is able to set as much type as the average compositor and is very accurate. The matter is dictated to her, and writing it down in her own langage—the language of the blind—she goes to the case, and gliding her fingers over the raised surface she retains in her mind entire sentences. and by feeling the nicks in the type is able to work with great rapidity.

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A young woman made a novel inquiry of the officials at the Southwestern Police Court recently. She informed them that she was 22 years of age, and had been born in prison. She was led to believe that a certain Lord had provided in his will that every child born in prison should receive a farthing a day for life, and she wished to know how she could recover the many farthings due to her since her birth. She was advised to consult the Home Office.

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Every woman with any pretension to a wardrobe finds her fancy waists an important item of dress. With these waists no gown need be cast aside because the corsage is beyond repair, for one of the contrasting harmonizing material is quite as fashionable as the gown fabric; thus while it is convenient to the economist, she will still be following one of the fashion's decided fancies. These waists are made plain enough, sufficiently dressy, to be worn at any time of day. A trim tailor gown becomes a graceful neglige by wearing a dark silk blouse with the skirt, and it will do very well for the evening by the addition of a bright lace-trimmed one.

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It is unnecessary to wash and boil the burners of lamps more than once a year if they have been rightly cared for. Keep a small, stiff brush(an old tooth brush will do), and when cleaning the lamp brush the burners off with this, wiping afterward with a soft flannel cloth. This will keep them bright and free from dust. To trim the wick turn it up, and holding the burner so that the charred potions will not drop on it simply brush it off, thus allowing it to trim itself. It is almost impossible to trim a wick evenly with scissors. To polish metal lamps rub them off with soft cloth on which has poured a few drops of kerosene. To polish the chimneys saturate a small cloth with a little alcohol and wash off the grime and smoke inside. Wash the brushes and cloths used in the care of lamps often.

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The presence of women and children in mechanical industries is considered by many a menace to the position of men, effecting not only their tenure, but their wages. By others, their presence is considered as an evidence of advancement, and, so far as women are concerned, as tending toward their independence, securing to them freedom from burdensome dependence and making them a more active factor in the affairs of the world. All agree, however, that children ought not to be engaged in any industry, but should use the years of childhood for the purpose of securing such a practicol education that they may be more able to become self-supporting when they reach maturity. The discussion of the question, therefore, is interesting sociologically, but it is often conducted more from the standpoint of sentiment than from fact.

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Concerning the promise to obey, as ordinarily understood in the marriage ceremony, Alice Stone Blackwell says: "I do not think it is desirable, or morally right, for one fullgrown human being to promise life-long obedience to another. The common sense of the world is evidently coming around to the same view, for the promise to obey has been dropped or is fast going out of use, in all denominations except those which are confined to a fixed ritual. Even among these, such as the Episcopalians, a bright woman minister of my acquaintance says she would never perform the marriage ceremony for a woman who was foolish enough to make the promise to obey, intending to keep it, nor for one who was unprincipled enough to make a promise that she did not intend to keep. There certainly seems to be no good reason for retaining in the marriage service a promise, which, in the great majority of cases, is now interpreted in strictly Pickwickian sense. The happiest marriages I have known have been those in which there was no thought of obedience on either side."

NIAGARA FALLS SPRAYS.

Many Visitors at Nature's Great Cataract—Wedding Bells Afar.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Special.

Mrs. Daniel Miller and son, of Syracuse, are spending a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Keyes. A large colored excursion from Toronto visited the Falls last week and a pleasant time was spent. Mrs. Hamlin delivered an interesting lecture last week to a good sized audience at the B. M. E. church. The subject was "Love."

Thos. Delsworth, Frank Spencer and Miss Dolly Dickson, of Buffalo, were in the city last week. Among the many prominent strangers who visited the Falls last week were Miss Eliza Smith and Miss Jackson, of Toronto; Mrs. R. Smith, of Buffalo; Miss Jane Johnson, of Buffalo; Miss Coleman, of Cleveland, and others. John T. Beckett has started his flying trip to Buffalo again. W. J. Smith, of Rochester, N. Y., was in town last week greeting his many friends.

Many weddings are reported for this fall, but none have consented to allow the correspondent publish it as yet. Mrs. Emily Young and daughter, Miss Bessie, of Brooklyn, N. Y., arrived in the city Monday, July 23rd, and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Johnson, of Ashland avenue. On Friday evening, July 27th, an informal reception and dinner party was tendered Mrs. Young and daughter by the Misses Johnson. Mrs. Young left for home Saturday evening, the 28th inst.

Miss White, of New York City, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Keyes, of First street, while in the city. Miss White, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Keyes, visited Chippewa, Lewiston and Queenstown. Miss White left Sunday evening for Albany. Mrs. John Ransom spent Friday in Buffalo.

NIAGARA FALLS SPRAYS.

The Cataract Construction Co., and all who have any interest in our great tunnel, have been very much worried for the past two weeks, owing to the arrival of the Tunnel Investigating Committee, which arrived last Friday. The committee visited the power house and tunnel, also the Schelcolf canal, and to the pleasure of the many officials of the Construction Co., the committee returned to Albany, Monday, bearing a favorable report. It had been claimed that the water, passing through the tunnel would greatly effect the Falls.

Since the many improvements have been made in our city and the State Reservation, it enables us to count ourselves second to no other city in the state in beauty and natural scenery.

There are many colored and white people who visit Nigara and just look at the Falls and sit in the Park until time to leave the city, and thus they do not see one quarter of the beauty and natural scenery of our city. There is the New York State Reservation of 107 acres, which includes Goat Island group, embracing Goat Island with seventy acres, Bath Island, Tuna Island, Cave of the Winds, Terrapin Rocks and the three Sister Islands, also Prospect Park, including the Inclined Railway and stairs to land below to the foot of the American Falls, also the "Maid of the Mists," a beautiful sailboat which carries you under the Falls; the Whirlpool Rapids, access to water's edge at three points by elevator. On the Canadian side there is Queen Victoria Park of 117 acres, embracing Dufferin Islands, Cedar Islands, Table Rock, and elevator to the base of the Falls; the upper Suspension, a carriage and foot bridge located near the Falls. The old Suspension bridge, two miles below the Falls, has a railroad and foot bridge.

Just above the American Falls is Schlosser's landing, the end of the portage from Lewiston. This terminus was gradually fortified until it became a fort called Fort De Portage, in 1759. Capt. Schlosser, of the British army, was stationed at this fort and the same year it burned. The Captain rebuilt it in 1761, calling it after himself, Schlosser's Dock.

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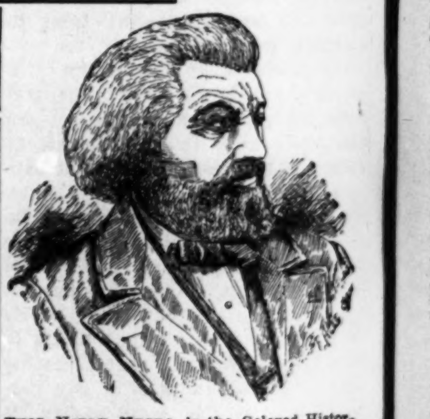

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Hon. B. K. Bruce and family will spend a part of the summer on the coast of Massachusetts.

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Richard W. Thompson, of Indianapolis, Ind., has been appointed to a position in the government printing office.

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The mother and sister of the late Lieut. Alexander recently presented Wilberforce University with his sword and helmet.

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Capt. J. W. Black, of Nassau, Bahamas, who has been visiting in New York City, returned home by way of the Antilles.

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The Iron Mountain Railroad Company has filled the places made vacant at Memphis by striking switchmen with Negroes.

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Roger Sullivan, clerk of the Probate Court, Chicago, has appointed as his official stenographer W. G. Anderson, a colored man.

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Recent statistics of Georgia colleges for white and colored bear evidence that there are more colored than white students in these institutions.

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The People's Transportation company, of Washington, a colored organization, has rented a park, to which they propose running daily excursions during the hot weather.

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Miss Maud Cuney, daughter of Hon. N. W. Cuney, of Galveston, Tex., who has been attending th conservatory of music at Boston, Mass., stopped in New York city on her way home.

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Among the recent graduates from the medical department of Howard University was Mrs. Rumley, a colored lady. Before settling down, after continued study, she was taken sick and died.

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At the recent meeting of the National Educational Association, held at Asbury Park, N. J., quite a large number of educators were on hand, and were accorded recognition in an official way.

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Hon. J. J. Spellman, one of the best known colored men of this country, died at his home in Jackson, Miss., recently. He was at one time secretary of the Baptist Foreign Mission Convention.

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W. E. B. DuBois, the young colored man who won a scholarship at Harvard University, has returned to his home, Great Barrington, Mass., from Germany, where he has been studying the past two years.

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Congressman Murray has introduced a bill to use the money as pay on bounty to black soldiers of the war of the rebellion, which amounts to more than $500,000, for the erection of a normal and industrial school in the South.

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H. Fitzbutler, M. D., the first colored man to enter into the regular practice of medicine in the state of Kentucky, is Dean of the Louisville National Medical college. His wife is also a graduate of that college and practices. Their children, Misses Prima, Mary and James, belong to the class of '94.

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Thos. E. Besolow, the African Prince who has been studying in this country, sailed for his home last week. He will first go to England and Sweeden and from thence to Africa. He intends to take carpenters and builders from Sweeden to accompany him home, as he intends to build according to civilized nations and ways.

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An Italian journal published in Rome, recently contained the following: "There are fourteen Negroes in Italian Universities, five of whom will graduate as physicians in the fall term, and are without doubt the brightest students the college of Turin has known for years. They have each taken 100 per cent. at every examination. Two are from Africa, two from the West Indies and one from Liberia. The nine other students are at the School of the Propaganda in Rome, acquiring all that can be learned in languages and science. They are all highly respected, and are welcomed wherever they go."

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Miss Mary F. Lester, of Ithaca, N. Y., has been admitted to practice as an attorney before the executive departments of the government. Miss Lester is a graduate of the Dryden (N. Y.) Union Graded School and Academy, and also a graduate of the Wyckoff, Seamans & Benedict Phonographic Institutes, Ithaca, N. Y. To the foregoing acquirements she has added a thorough knowledge of the pension laws, and an acquaintance with the rules of practice of the departments, gained by patient study for more than two years in the office of the most noted and eminent pension attorney among our people in the United States. Miss Lester enjoys the distinction of being the first and only colored lady in the land admitted to practice before the government.

LIFE IN LIBERIA.

A Returned Missionary Says There is Slavery There—Heathen Rites.

From the St. Louis Republic.

The Rev. and Mrs. George W. Chapman have been missionaries of the Free Methodist Church in this country to Liberia for a number of years. They returned to their home Carthage, Ill., a few months ago, and Mr. Chapman tells a rather strange story concerning the condition of affairs in Liberia. From the tone of his remarks it would not be difficult to believe that veritable slavery exists in Liberia. He says:

"During my residence in Monrovia I was tendered the offer of a robust native man in exchange for fifty yards of cheap calico. The alleged owner of this native slave was a Liberian. There are very few whites in Liberia They cannot endure the malaria, and it was for this reason that I and my wife returned to this country. While I do not assert that slavery exists there, I am as well satisfied as I can be that in a certain form it does exist. Taking the children of natives away from their parents and treating them as slaves looks to me very much like slavery. A Mr. Cheeseman, a full blooded Liberian, is President of the Republic. He recently issued a proclamation warning his people against slavery, and that any person found guilty of owning slaves will be punished by a fine and imprisonment."

The Rev. Mr. Chapman is evidently much discouraged concerning the outlook for Christianizing the Liberians. He will not return to that portion of Africa. He brought with him a little native girl, Duwauppo, who had been sold away from her parents. She was given to Mr. Chapman by her owners, and the missionary hunted up the child's parents and secured their consent to her being adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Chapman and brought to America. The missionaries will remain here during the summer, and will then return to Africa, going to a point on the lower coast.

The Liberians love religious excitement, but a revival seldom has a lasting effect. Ordinarily some of the missionaries of the various denominations hold a revival once or twice a year. Then the greatest excitement prevails. Mr. Chapman says that the Liberians, and even some of the natives, are almost insane with excitement, and will scream and howl day and night, until they fall exhausted. Some of the women lie in a stupor for hours during the outbursts of religious frenzy. But in a few days or weeks the excitement is over, and the religion vanishes also. Mr. Chapman states that he made a few true converts to Christianity—converts who he could say truthfully have forsaken their sins and are attempting to lead Christian lives

His description of some of the religious orgies of the natives is graphic and interesting. For 100 miles back from the coast of Liberia the jungles are filled with natives living in a condition of semi-barbarism. They are not cannibals, nor especially dangerous to the human race. But the man who would attempt to enter their "Greegree bush" is doomed. The "Greegree bush" is a strip of jungle covering about twenty acres. It is a mass of vines and underbush, intermixed with trees and shrubs Within this space are erected a number of bamboo and adobe native houses that are presided over by very aged women of the tribes. Some of the women are said to be over 100 years old. Within this sacred confine females of the tribe, from the age of 6 to 20 years, take a course of instruction in medical and other matters deemed to be important for their instruction. The old women are their instructors, and the course lasts all the way from three to six years. During this time the inmates are allowed to leave the "Greegree bush" only upon occasions of the celebration of the appearance of the devil from the "Devil Bush" This is a similar enclosure, where the men of the tribe hold secret conclaves, but no restrictions are placed upon them, and they have no course of instruction.

At certain times during the year there are great commotions among the natives. It is announced that the devil will appear from the "Devil Bush." The people run out of their houses and prostrate themselves. The women and girls are allowed to come out of the "Greegree bush" for a few minutes. Soon the devil appears. He is generally a chief dressed to represent as nearly as possible his satanic majesty. The devil carries a huge sword, which he flourishes menacingly, meanwhile going through a number of idiotic performances. The natives set up a great wail, and to a man of weak nerves it would seem as if human blood would soon flow. Human sacrifices are not made, so far as known, but the incantations are of the most hideous sort.

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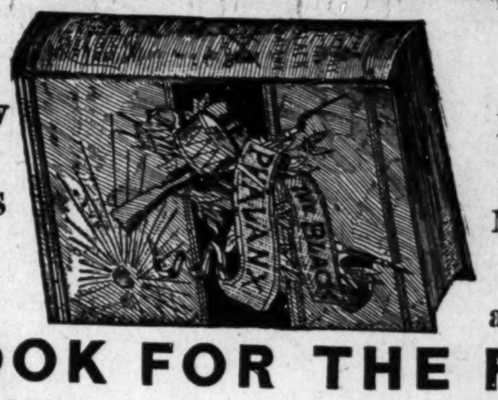

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Al Bailey left for Terre Haute last Tuesday.

Thaddeus Johnson has returned from Louisville.

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Thomas Fossett, of Muncie, was in the city the first of the week.

Mrs John Spepherd has gone to Danville, Ky., to visit her mother.

Miss Flora B. Passmore is visiting relatives at Harrodsburgh, Ky.

George W. Beckley is visiting old acquaintances in the Falls City.

Miss Georgia Stevenson is home from a pleasant jaunt at Kokomo.

Quarterly meeting services were held at Allen Chapel on last Sabbath.

Miss Lizzie Rogister is circulating among many friends at Terre Haute.

Miss Lammie Mason denies that she took the examination for the schools.

Mr. Fred Mitchell returned Tuesday from a short visit to Louisville, Ky.

A prize festival will come off at Lovely Lane Church on the 22d inst.

Mrs. Mollie Gaddie returned Wednesday from a visit to Campbellsville, Ky.

The Baptist Sunday-schools will picnic at Blue River Park on Aug. 15.

Mrs. A. L. Henderson, of Cincinnati, is the guest of Mrs. J. D. Porter.

Misses Ida Hall, Ruth Higgs and Ada Harris spent last week at Niagara.

Creole Switches on sale at Ladies' department of the Bates house barber shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bird will spend ten days in southern Indiana and Kentucky

Lemuel Johnson, of the Bank of Commerce, is suffering with the rheumatism.

Mrs. Martha Stewart, of Indiana avenue, took in the Falls excursion last week.

Mrs. John Shepherd was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Remus Moore at tea on Thursday evening.

Mrs. Retta Moss entertained at dinner, Thursday, Mrs. Emma Shepherd and Mrs. William Lewis.

The funeral services of John Herrington were held at Simpson Chapel on last Sunday, at 3 p. m.

Miss Lottie Lewis, of Chicago, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Nettie Lewis, on W. North street.

The Herculean Club picnic has developed a large number of athletes of acknowledged ability.

Mrs. Elizabeth Brewer, of Vincennes, is in the city visiting her daughter Mattie, at 133 Fulton street.

Mrs. Mary White, nee Thompson, of Cincinnati, will visit her mother, Mrs. Eliza Thompson, next week.

Miss Mayme O. Smith, a teacher in the schools of St. Louis, is in the city, the guest of Miss Edna Harris.

Miss Lulu Casey, of St. Louis, who has been the guest of the Misses Skinner, left for Chicago last Saturday.

Miss Mamie Jones, of Springfield, O., was the guest of Mrs. Ida Hardin, 110 Rhode Island street, last week.

Miss Caldwell, of Portland, Ind., is the honored guest of her brother, William Skinner, on Nebraska street

A large number of Odd Fellows and their friends attended the State Grand Lodge at Crawfordsville on Thursday.

Rev. John Preston, who has gone to Louisville rnd otner points South on a prospecting tour, will return home today.

Rev. E. L. Gilliam, presiding elder of the Lexington Conference, was in the city during the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Virginia B. King, wife of James M. King of the PanHandle force, is contemplating a visit to Dayton, O.

In the preliminary examination in the Watterson murder case, Wednes- William Cole was dismissed and McAfee was held.

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"Billie" McClain, an old Indianapolis boy, who has gained fame and fortune in the minstrell field, is at the Alton House.

W. W. Johnson, attorney at law, Chicago, Ill., was in attendance in a professional capacity at the Indianapolis courts this week.

Jacob, Charles and Jno. Bailey, and their sisters, Nanie, Ida and Anna, are in Piqua, O., called there by the serious illness of their father.

Mrs. America E. Hackley, of the Lake City, will be the guest of Mrs. J. T. V. Hill, Mo. 112 Martindale avenue, during the Pythian congress.

Mrs. Mollie Anderson gave a rosette party in honor of Miss Maud Grinston, of Lebanon, Ky., last Wednesday. Miss Grinston has returned home.

Rev. O. A. Williams, of the Ninth Presbyterian Church, has returned from his trip East, and will occupy his pulpit to-morrow, morning and night.

Hardin Cornelius and Miss Luedovoes McMurry were made one on last Wednesday. Rev. A. Bunch, pastor of Lovely Lane Church, tied the nuptial knot.

Mrs. Dollie Lewis conducted evangelistic services at the camp-meeting on Elizabeth street last Monday evening. A large crowd and great interest characterized the services.

The musical concert given at Olive Baptist Church, on Coburn street, on last Wednesday and Thursday evenings, was conducted in superb style under the management of George Allen.

The many friends of Rev. John T. Leggett, of North Vernon, Ind., will regret to learn that his injuries are such that it would render impracticable his removal to his home for the present.

It is rumored among the South Side society goers that Nelson Douglass will lead to the matrimonial altar Miss Lulu Sims, in the near future. All parties connected represent the elect from that part of the city.

The Eclipse base-ball club, of Chicago, has challenged The Freeman club for a series of three games during the Pythian conclave. Manager Knox wired Manager Bowen, of the Eclipse, his acceptance, and arrangements are being made to give the Chicago boys a royal reception.

Harvey Young, a teacher in the public schools has been sued for $1,000 by Mrs. Alice McElrath. She alleges that Young choked and beat her on August 4. Mrs. McElrath also alleges that Young whipped her boy out of school for a misdemeanor. Mrs. McElrath is a sister of Mrs. W. D. McCoy, who is now in Minneapolis.

Wedding Bells.

One of the latest to succumb to Cupid's pursuasive influence is N. M. Hill, of the L. E. & W. R. R., who was married to Miss M. G. Bland, of Mt. Vernon, Ind., July 30th. Mr. Hill is prominent in Masonic and Odd Fellow circles, and for six years has been a messenger in the L. E. & W. railway office. Miss Bland is one of Mt. Vernon's first young ladies, being prominent in church circles, and was for eleven years a teacher in the public schools. They are temporarily located at 28 Leon street.

A Carpet Committee.

The following ladies of Mt. Zion Baptist church compose what is known as the Carpet Committee, the duties of which, being in the main, the refurnishing and ornamentation of the church: Mrs. Virginia B. King, chairman; associates: Mrs. Mamie Gaunt, Mrs. Febie Ghee, Mrs. Matilda Smith, Mrs. Barter and Mrs. Sallie Hatch. Delightful entertainments are given at the church, under the auspices of the committee, every Thursday night.

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The following is the report of the various churches:

Second Baptist church—Sabbath school attendance, 200; collection $2 37; preaching morning and evening; communion at 5 p. m.; additions 3; collection, $97.87.

Mt. Zion church—Sunday school attendance, 98; collection, $1.50; preaching morning and evening; communion at 3 p. m.; addition, 1; collection $43.80.

Brightwood—Preaching morning and evening; collection, $3 77.

Corinthian—Sunday school attendance, 63; collection, $1 53; preaching morning and evening; communion at 3 p. m.; collection $26 31.

Antioch—Sunday school attendance, 116; collection, $208; preaching morning and evening; communion at 3 p. m.; additions, 3; collection, $57 80.

South Calvary—Sunday school attendance, 63; preaching morning and evening by pastor; collection $12 50.

Mt. Pilgrim—Sunday school attendance, 25; collection, $ .50; preaching by Rev. Wm. Dixon at 11 a. m., and by pastor at 8 p. m.; collectian $4.55.

The U. B. F. and S. M. T. Celebration.

[Crowded out last week.]

The celebration given by these two popular orders at the State Fair Grounds was well attended, the extreme sultriness of the day only militating against the expected crowd during the day. The bicycle races, which took place in the afternoon under the management of President Davis and Captain Patterson, were witnessed by nearly a thousand people. Major Taylor was the victor in the half, quarter and two mile races—time, half-mile, 2:15; quarter mile, 33 2-5 seconds; two miles, 6:04 4-5. Captain Patterson rode a mile against the horse "Gold," having a record of 2:35, winning in 3:02 1-5.

With the coolness and shades of night the attendance was largely augmented, and a late hour, the day and night having been spent so pleasantly, brought an end to the festivities.

A Correction.

The little occurrence that happened last Tuesday night a week ago, on First street and railroad, was not a Miss Elinor Williams nor Miss Ella Miller, but a Mrs. Ethel Williams and Miss Lizzie Breck, of 84 W. Third street. Owing to these young society ladies' mortified feelings, we have stated the real names of the ones that had the words, and hope the many friends of Misses Williams and Miller will regard them as ever, finding this all a grand mistake.

Yours Respectfully,
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A Good Place to Go.

At Gresh's Academy, next Wednesday night, a musical, literary and art entertainment will take place for the benefit of the Colored Youths' Industrial School. Remember, your boy is living but not dead; help this worthy enterprise.

The German Club's Grand Ball.

Bowling Green, Ky., Special.

The meeting which was in session at the Eleventh-street Church closed on Sunday night with greot success. The funeral of Mrs. Mintie Gillium was attended Thursday morning by Rev. R. Mitchell. Rev. W. H. Pope has returned from conference. He reported the work as being in a prosperous condition. A barbacue was given in Hopson's Grove on Saturday by some of the citizens. Misses Margie Hinton, Lena E. Claypool, Emma L. Jewell, J. B. Winrow, G. A. Jones and others left Monday to take charge of their schools. Miss Mary C. Slaughter is able to be out again. Miss Hattie Harris has returned to her home at Paris, Tenn. Mr. Mayhan, of Franklin, Revs. Fisher and C. C. Vaughn, were in the city Wednesday. Mr. George Price gave a picnic at Thompson's Landing. Profs. Tate and Smith gave a musical entertainment Monday night at the State-street Church, and Friday night at Webb's Hall. Prof. Tate has a voice that will equal any female voice in the country.

The picnic given at Miss Ida Browning's was a grand affair. Misses L. S. and A. H. McCutchen are visiting in Auburn. Mrs. Samuel Thomas is very sick. Dr. O. D. Porter is doing good work in our city. He has proven himself to be a doctor, indeed. A week's meeting is being conducted at Bethel Church by Rev. H. D. Carpenter. Miss Florence Edmons, of Elkton, Ky., is the guest of Mrs. Western, on Eleventh street. Mr. and Mrs. Singleton, of Union Tow, Ky., have been visiting in the city a few weeks. Miss Maggie Philips and Mr. Sam Murrell, Miss Emma Briggs and Mr. Ed Drane were married a few days since.

The German Club gave a ball at Webb's Hall on Thursday, Aug. 2, which a very grand affair. Everything was orderly and nice, and all enjoyed themselves until very late. Those present were Messrs. G. L. Gordon, C. E. Loving, J. T. Allen, Henry Holland, C. H. Wilson, Robert Douglass, Hutton Cox, H. H. Dial, C. H. Pope, Henry Skiles, King and Perkin, Misses L. P. Wilson, Lizzie Loving, Emma Thomas, Estella Blackburn, Carrie Kyrkendall, Lizzie Sweeney, Mary Edwards, Annie Nelson, Mary Nelson, Annie Wilson, Cirrilda Wilson and Miss Allen, of Covington, Ky.; visiting friends were Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Nelson and Mr. Clem Jones.

Black and White Republicans.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

The public school opened with a goodly number, with the same teachers with the exception of Miss Davis in the place of Miss Washington. Miss Lizzie Bell was in the city on the 4th, inst. She reports a good school at Cedar Ridge. The Democrats ran over the Republicans in Bedford county, and will continue to do so in the South and a part of the North until they come together. There are two races in the Republican party, and one can't go to victory without the other. If the white Republicans would stand by the black Republicans, they would go to victory. Their principles are right and they will prevail when their leaders get on the right road. The good book says "A house divided against itself" is compelled to fall; that is why the great Republican party fell in 1892; because they left the Negro. Do right by your brother in black, and when we go to power in 1896, we will stay, for the God of heaven will stand by his children when they pull together. Brother Freeman please give this to the nation, as no other paper can or will send to more doors than yours. The speech made by Rev. F. M. Stamps, at Mullins Chapel, on the night of Aug. 1st, was grand. Rev. E. W. Dangerfield, pastor of the A. M. E. church, will give a grand entertainment Aug. 18th. Messrs. H. P. White and R. P. Purdy were royally entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Martin, on the 3d, inst. Mrs. Cleveland was all smiles on the 29th, ult. Rev. Eli McKinney held the audience still one hour on the 3d, inst. Mrs. H. B. McChristian has a school of fifty pupils two and one-half miles from the city. Mrs. Sarah Jane Martin is very sick at this writing. Rev. Mrs. M. A. Hemphill has a very bright little boy that she takes to school. Miss Beatrice Trail was in the city on the 4th, inst. The sons of Ham nearly all voted the Republican ticket on Aug. 1st. They came near electing their men. Blakemore Dosey, Gilliland Thompson and others are true lovers of The Freeman. Get it at W. H. Gosling's store.

Two Souls With But a Single Thought.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

One of the grandest events which has occurred in our city for a long time, was the marriage of Joseph Thompkins to Miss Katie Townsley, on Tuesday night July 31st, at the Fifth Ward Baptist church. Rev. A. O. Kenney officiated, and Mrs. A. O. Kenney presided at the organ. At 7:45 o'clock the bridal party, consisting of flower girls, four bridesmaids, main of honor, best man, and bride and groom, arrived at the church, and to Mendelssohn wedding march, filed up the aisle and circled around the altar in the order given above. The bride wore white silk trimmed in lace, and carried a boquet of white geraniums in her hand; the groom wore the conventional black. After the ceremony the party and a limited number of friends retired to the residence of the bride's parents, where a handsome repast had been prepared. Numerous were the presents the bride received and many very valuable ones. We have neither the time nor space to enumerate them. Mr. and Mrs. Tompkins will reside at their new home on Paston street, which Mr. Thompkins spared no time in making beautiful and attractive. Mr. Tompkins has been in the post office service of this city for four years, and has the respect of all who know him. Although a young man, he has acquired considerable property, and therefore should be an example for the young men. Mrs. Tompkins has been a teacher for several years in Southern Kentucky, where we learn the people regret very much to give her up. She has those charming beauties and sterling qualities which make up a graceful and noble womanhood. We wish them long and useful lives.

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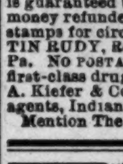

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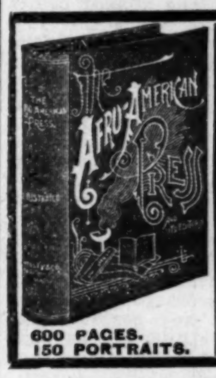

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